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DIRECTORY.

We are pleased to publish the following directory for the benefit of our citizens and visitors, and to insure correctness the News should be promptly notified when changes occur.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.—S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, West, F. J. Russell, Clerk, L. T. Barker, Treasurer, W. W. Hastings; Supt. of Schools, H. H. Hastings; School Committee, Miss Jane Gibson, Z. W. Bartlett, East; N. F. Brown; Town Agent, A. E. Herriek; Collector, H. H. Bean; Auditor, Calvin Bisbee.

MAIL SERVICE.

MAILS CLOSE.
Going East, 8:40 a. m.; 3:15 p. m.
Closed mail for Portland and Boston, 8 p. m.

MAILS ARRIVE.
From East, 10:50 a. m.; 4:50 p. m.
From West, 9:15 a. m.; 3:45 p. m.

CHURCHES.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL, Main street, Rev. W. B. Eldge, Pastor. Sunday—Prayer meeting, 10 a. m.; Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Junior League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:15 p. m.; Prayer meeting, 7 p. m. Tuesday—Class meeting, 7:30 p. m. Friday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

UNIVERSALIST, Church street, Rev. F. E. Barton, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 7 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL, Church street, Rev. Arthur Varley, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 7 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

UNION CHURCH, West Bethel, supplied by Rev. Arthur Varley and Rev. F. E. Barton. Sunday—Preaching, 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.

LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street. Open Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 4 to 5 p. m. Over 2000 volumes. Mrs. G. R. Wiley, President; Annie Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Mason, Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Librarian.

FRATERNAL ORDERS.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 97, F. & A. M.—N. E. Richardson, W. M.; W. E. Abbott, S. W.; H. C. Rowe, J. W.; M. W. Chandler, Treas.; D. G. Lovejoy, Sec. Meets second Thursday of each month.

MR. ADAM LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 31—A. C. Frost, N. G.; E. S. Kilborn, V. G.; Chas. Mason, Rec. Sec.; C. O. Bryant, F. S.; S. J. French, Treas. Meets Saturday evenings.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 64—Martha A. Gibson, N. G.; Alice J. Farwell, V. G.; Jane H. Gibson, Rec. Sec.; Maria Hastings, Fin. Sec.; Ellen M. Burbank, Treas. Meets first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL GRANGE, No. 50—John F. Howe, Master; Mrs. C. E. Valentine, Lecturer; J. S. Hutchins, Secretary. Meets Saturday afternoons, once in two weeks.

SUBURBY COL., No. 50, U. O. P. F.—J. C. Billings, Gov.; E. C. Park, Sec.; E. S. Kilborn, Treas. Meets the first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 27, J. O. U. A. M.—F. J. Tyler, C.; S. A. Gibson, R. S.; John Yates, F. S.; Harry Jordan, Treas. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday in each month.

Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. R.—Ira Jordan, P. C.; A. M. True, Adj. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

Brown Post, W. R. C., No. 36—Mrs. Arvilla Morgan, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. Little, Sec.; Miss E. E. Burnham, Treas. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month.

Bethel W. C. T. U.—Mrs. O. M. Mason, Pres.; Mrs. Arthur Varley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Sec.; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Treas. Meets Tuesday, once in two weeks.

CORPORATIONS.

Bethel Savings Bank.—S. B. Twitchell, Pres.; A. E. Herriek, Treas.

Bethel Chair Co.—J. H. Barrows, Pres. Calvin Bisbee, Treas.

Bethel Water Co.—Enoch Foster, Pres. A. E. Herriek, Treas.

Bethel Dairying Co.—W. E. Abbott, Manager.

Riverside Park Association.—C. M. Wormell, Pres.; E. C. Rowe, Treas.

SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Club, Congregational.—Pres., Mrs. A. E. Herriek; Vice Pres., Mrs. Gilbert Tuell; Sec., Miss Mary True; Treas., Mrs. F. B. Tuell. Meets Thursday afternoon.

Ladies' Circle, Universalist.—Mrs. L. A. Pratt, Pres.; Mrs. G. R. Wiley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednesday afternoon.

Ladies' Church Aid Society, Methodist.—Mrs. H. C. Andrews, Pres.; Mrs. Cyrene Little, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Calvin Bisbee, Treas.; Miss Ethel Morse, Sec.

Columbian Club.—Mrs. A. E. Herriek, Pres.; Miss Annie M. Frye, Sec.; Mrs. T. F. Hastings, Treas.

UNITED ORDER OF GOLDEN CROSS No. 464—N. C. J. H. Barrows, W. T. Calvin Bisbee, F. K. R. S. W. Grover; K. of R., F. W. Bisbee.

House for Sale.

Anyone desiring to buy a small house in Bethel village, will do well to call at once on Dr. F. B. Tuell.

The LOCAL NEWS.

Items of Interest Picked Up About Town by the News Man.

Lumbermen are coming out of the woods.

Prof. W. S. Wight is in town for a short time.

C. E. Tenney of Gorham, N. H., was in town to-day.

John Holt of East Bethel, was the village Sunday.

C. M. Kimball of East Bethel, was in the village Monday.

Rev. Mr. Stone of Newry, called at the News office, Monday.

W. W. Virgin of Rumford Corner, was in town Saturday.

Miss Vivian Kelliher is confined to the house with the grip.

Dennis Kilgore and wife of No. Newry, were in town Friday.

Harold Stanley has concluded his services with C. C. Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Eames of No. Newry were in town last Thursday.

Mrs. John Yates of So. Paris is visiting her mother, Mrs. L. G. Knapp.

T. H. Chapman and wife attended the Pomona grange at So. Paris, yesterday.

Rev. I. A. Bean of South Paris, was the guest of C. O. Foster, Monday night.

Miss Sadie Mason is home from Bridgton Academy, spending her vacation.

Jas. H. Swan and daughter, of East Bethel, were in the village Saturday.

The Ladies' Church Aid Society meets Thursday afternoon with Mrs. C. S. Littlehale.

The Columbian Club will meet with Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Large quantities of hemlock bark are being drawn to the Bethel station for shipment.

About twenty teachers took the examination given by Supt. H. H. Hastings, last Saturday.

On account of illness, George French is home from the Maine Farmer office at Augusta.

Don't forget to look for Easter Cards and Novelties also Easter Egg Dyes at Miss L. C. Hall's.

W. H. Winslow of Portland, treasurer of the Bethel Manufacturing Co., was in town last Friday.

Miss Florence Kilgore and sister and Miss Bernice Richardson of No. Newry, were in town Monday.

A. W. Meserve and Claude Mills of Portland, were in town to attend the dance, last Friday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Bradbury, Dr. Harry Jones and Agnes Beal of Norway, attended the dance, Friday evening.

F. E. Timberlake, the Bank Examiner was in town Tuesday with his son, Leon, who will remain two weeks with Ceylon Rowe.

Rev. Arthur Varley occupied the Congregational pulpit at West Stewartstown, N. H., last Sunday, in exchange with Rev. Mr. Rand.

J. A. Wyman was in town last week, looking up his acreage for another year and reports favorable prospects for a larger plant than last year.

The Kelliher house has been sold to Mrs. Geo. W. Harding of West Bethel. Mrs. Kelliher and family will move to Hancock in the near future.

Chester Wheeler, who has been spending the past two weeks in town, returned to his work at the Turner Center Creamery, in Auburn, last Saturday.

For the next three weeks Miss Burnham will sell, for cash, all cotton underwear at prices now marked, after that time that line of goods will be marked 25% higher because of the advance in prices.

Mrs. F. E. Rand gave a very interesting talk before the Y. P. S. C. E. last Sunday evening on missionary work in Micronesia. Rev. and Mrs. Rand were located on the island Ponape for 20 years, and it is interesting in the extreme to listen to some of the experiences through which they passed.

E. S. Kilborn is in Boston this week.

Dr. C. D. Hill is in South Paris to-day.

John B. Chapman was in South Paris yesterday.

Mr. Perlie Hartford from Lovell, has been in town.

Miss Sadie Mason has returned to Bridgton Academy.

A. M. Chase of Bryant Pond, was in town last Saturday.

Chesley Saunders of Hanover, was in town last week.

Roscoe Clark arrived home Monday, from Susquehanna, Pa.

E. C. Bowler and son, Ernie, were in Lewiston, yesterday.

Snow is fast making its exit and we have several feet left.

Miss Lena Young of East Bethel, was in the village last Friday.

Mr. Bert Young is moving into the rent over Hastings Bros. store.

John Hayes, proprietor of the Norway Bakery, was in town to-day.

Mr. George Tubbs will move into Mr. Brackett's house on Spring street.

On account of the rain, the W. C. T. U. did not meet Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. A. F. Copeland has gone to New Hampshire and Massachusetts on business.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Gehring Thursday P. M., at the usual hour.

Mrs. Lucy Demeritt and children, have been visiting at Mr. Frank Barker's.

Mrs. Hutchinson has returned from South Paris, where she has been visiting her son.

Miss Mabelle Rand of Boston, has been spending the week with her parents in Bethel.

Mrs. R. E. L. Farwell who has been seriously ill for the past three weeks, is slightly improved.

Mrs. Nora Marsden has gone to the Massachusetts General Hospital, having accepted a very flattering position there.

When is Easter?

Which is the true Easter day in 1900? Some people think Easter should be kept on April 23, and not on April 15. The rule is, "Easter day is always the first Sunday after the full moon which happens upon or next after the 21st day of March; if the full moon happens upon Sunday, Easter day is the Sunday after." The Rev. Allen Whitworth, vicar of All Saints, Margaret street, who is an expert in the matter, explains in the All Saints' Magazine that in order that the church might not be dependent on future astronomical calculations, he adopted a set of rules by which to determine the dates on which the full moon should be assumed to fall. This fictitious full moon can always be found in the tables at the beginning of the prayer book, and by common consent of western Christendom this tabular full moon is used in the determination of Easter.

This year the tables give Saturday, April 14, as the date of the Paschal full moon, but the actual moon in the heavens is not full until midnight; that is, the astronomical full moon falls on Sunday, April 15. It we followed the astronomical moon, Easter Sunday would be the following Sunday, April 22, but as we accept the ecclesiastical moon we keep Easter on the 15.—London News.

Advertised Letters.

Letters for the following named parties may be found at the post office:

Miss Ida Smith.

Mrs. W. A. Mason.

J. C. BILLINGS.

MARRIED.

In Bethel, March 31, by Rev. F. E. Barton, Euthalia I. Brown of Rumford Falls, and Hattie M. Spearlin of Thomaston, Me.

DANCING PARTY.

Will be Remembered as the Greatest Event of the Kind ever Given in Bethel.

About two weeks ago it became noised about that the gentlemen of Bethel were to give a dancing party, and our people, knowing full well that the promoters were not of the kind that do things at halves, naturally looked forward to the occasion as an affair that would doubtless prove the event of the season, but when last Friday night saw over one hundred couples gliding through the intricacies of the dance, besides a crowded gallery of spectators, all agreed that it was not the event of the season, or of a generation, but that it eclipsed all other parties of the kind ever given in Bethel.

The decorations, as arranged by Maj. True, added in no small way, to the beauty and gracefulness of the occasion; with red, white and blue draped above and on either side, and the deep, rich light from the banquet lamps falling upon a dark evergreen background, the stage presented a picture, beautiful in the extreme. In addition to the stage decorations, the punch tables in the various parts of the hall were pleasingly decorated with pinks, ferns, and smilax, and presented an exceedingly attractive appearance.

At the appointed hour the happy company began to enter and were cordially received by Dr. C. D. Hill, and Messrs. G. R. Wiley and Elmer Young; for a solid hour they continued to throng in, and when the orchestra struck the first note of the grand march, and nearly one hundred couples, led by Dr. Hill and Miss Alice Billings, had taken their places, the scene presented a beautiful picture, indeed, to all who admire the social dance.

If we have made no mistake, the grand march was made up as follows:

Dr. C. D. Hill and Alice Billings. E. H. Young and wife. Edward King and Florence Carter.

F. H. Young and wife. F. J. Tyler and wife. Will Bryant and wife. C. C. Bryant and wife. G. R. Wiley and wife. Chas. Lucas and Jane Gibson. Alphonse Van Dan Kerckhoven and wife. Sam Gibson and Martha Gibson. Benj. Goodwin and Fannie Mason.

A. C. Johnson and wife. F. E. Hanscom and wife. T. F. Hastings and wife. E. C. Rowe and wife. John Swan and wife. A. C. Frost and wife. Dr. J. A. Twaddle and wife. M. W. Chandler and Ella Chandler.

F. L. Edwards and wife. Ernie Walker and Edith Walker. Bert Young and wife. Bert Rowe and Alice Purington. Howard Carter and Barbara Carter.

Dr. Norman Gehring and Bertha Wiley. J. C. Billings and wife. Durward Mason and Mrs. Vitella Davis. Maj. True and Sophia Roberts. A. L. Meserve and Mrs. A. G. Wiley. Dr. J. G. Gehring and Elsie Weitz. Arthur Richardson and Ethel Richardson. E. A. Wyman and Ethel Hammons. H. M. Farwell and wife. Llewellyn Pratt and wife. Dana Grover and Alice Russell. Dr. J. B. Twaddelle and Ellen Douglas. Herman Mason and Alma Gehring. Harry Farwell and Sadie Farwell. Wm. Holmes and Ethel Eames. Gotthard Carlson and Julia Carter.

Harry Brown and Mabel Shaw. Gale Carter and Mrs. Ella Carter. Gilbert Tuell and wife. D. S. Hastings and wife. Barton Smith and Mrs. C. H. Harvey. Dr. Harry Jones and Agnes Beal.

Mark Elliot and wife. L. A. Hall and wife. Geo. Ryerson and Eva Twaddle. Widd Twaddle and Henrietta Douglas.

Edwin Harvey and Ruth King. Will Foley and Cora Brown. Dennis Kilgore and wife. Edwin A. Barker and Ruth Andrews. Walter Lawrence and Ruby Wells.

Fenwick Holmes and Grace Chapman. David Brown and Mrs. Carrie Sanborn. Gerry Morgan and Mrs. Wheeler. Gilbert W. Tuell and Cleo Russell.

Merritt Gay and Anna Carlson. Dan Smith and Ruby Smith. Harry Brooks and Gertrude Brooks. Franklin Leach and Josephine Thurston.

Will Virgin and Mae Wiley. Leonard Pratt and Maud Chute. Victor Gehring and Gladys Wiley. Chas. Holmes and Mildred Tuell. Fred Kimball and wife. Phil Morton and Ethel Sanborn. Philip Maher and Mrs. Frank Merrill.

Frank Young and daughter, Hattie. Sewall Lyon and Vivian Kelliher. Jack Arnold and Beatrice Kelliher. Bert Sanborn and Mrs. Sawyer. Fred Bartlett and Bessie Searle.

It is sufficient to say that the music was furnished by Burnham & Barney's orchestra of Berlin, N. H., which has an established reputation among our people of being second to no orchestra that has ever furnished music in Bethel. The music was of a high class as usual, and called forth not a few appreciative comments.

Everything was done that could be done to make the party a success, and that it was a pronounced success, all agree; in fact, it is commonly stated by those who attended that it will long be remembered as the largest and best appointed dancing party ever given in Bethel. It was given by the following gentlemen:

E. H. Young, A. C. Frost, C. D. Hill, J. C. Billings, T. B. Goodwin, Mark Chandler, E. C. Rowe, Fred Edwards, Edw. King, E. M. Walker, Gilbert Tuell, L. A. Hall, T. F. Hastings, H. C. Rowe, C. A. Lucas, W. W. Hastings, G. R. Wiley, Claude Mills, A. L. Meserve, A. M. True, J. A. Twaddle, L. A. Pratt, C. C. Bryant, Frank Young, W. H. Young, C. M. Wormell, Geo. Ryerson, W. Foley, A. Van Dan Kerckhoven.

Notice.

All residents of Bethel Village and vicinity, who are interested in a reunion of the former teachers and students of Gould's Academy, are requested to meet at Gould's Academy, April 10, at 7:30 o'clock, to take steps toward perfecting arrangements for such reunion.

It is intended to make this reunion the event of the year in Bethel, and it is hoped that all who still have an interest in and affection for Gould's Academy will encourage this plan by their presence at the time and place above stated.

All who have catalogues of the Academy, printed previous to 1890, are requested to bring them at this time, and to loan them to the committee of arrangements as an aid in sending invitations to former teachers and students.

Per Order.

GILEAD.

A dance to-night in Town Hall. Ray Bennett is slowly improving.

Dr. Twaddle was in town Sunday.

Mrs. Eva DeCosta is sick with the grip.

J. W. Bennett spent Sunday with his family in Portland.

Monroe Wormell and the sheriff from Island Pond were in town Monday, searching for some property stolen from the wreck which occurred here a few weeks ago.

WANT COLUMN.

Wanted.

A woman to do housework in a small family, and no washing. Address Box 34, West Bethel, Me.

Wanted.

Forty hares, Tuesday morning April 10, by W. L. Chapman.

Wanted.

A girl to do housework. Leave applications at the News office.

For Sale.

A No. 6 twelve can cream tank, and cans, almost new. Also six good cows coming in this spring. Inquire of H. I. Bean, Albany, Me.

Lost.

A class ring, bearing the letters X. C. and the class motto "Deeds not words" on the inside. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving same at the News office.

For Sale or to Let.

The two-story house and stable on Mason street, owned by E. A. Blake, Island Pond, Vt., is for sale or to let, also about six acres of land adjoining lot. For further particulars apply to A. J. Blake, Gilead, Me.

Wanted.

I desire to purchase a gobbler. Any one having one for sale will please notify me at once. J. S. Hutchins, South Bethel.

Rent Wanted.

A party in the village desires to secure a rent consisting of house and stable. Inquire at the News office.

Wanted.

A housekeeper in a family of four ladies. Must be a good cook and capable of taking entire charge of the work. Wages \$4.00. References required. Inquire of S. B. & Z. S. Prince, Norway, Maine.

Notice.

Any who desire to furnish wood for any of the schools, carry scholars for the present year, or clean any of the school houses, should send in their proposals or confer with the Superintendent of Schools at an early date.

H. H. HASTINGS,

Supt. of Schools.

Found.

Between Bethel Hill and Swan's Corner a small rubber belt. The owner may have same by proving property and paying charges. Inquire at the News office.

Caucus.

The Republican voters of the town of Bethel are hereby notified to meet in caucus at the Lock-up in Bethel, on Thursday, April 5, 1900, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to choose five delegates to the Republican State Convention to be held at City Hall, Lewiston, April 11, 1900, and four delegates to the Second Congressional District Convention to be held at Auburn Hall, Auburn, April 10, 1900, and to transact any other business that may properly come before said caucus.

Per Order Republican Town Committee.

E. C. PARK, Chairman, J. U. PURINGTON, Secretary. Bethel, Me., Mar. 27, 1900.

Administrator's Sale.

Pursuant to a license from the Honorable Judge of Probate for the county of Oxford, I shall sell at public auction, on Saturday the twenty-eighth day of April A. D. 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon at the office of Herrick & Park, in Bethel, Maine, all the right, title and interest which Hannah J. Carr, late of Upton, in said county, deceased, had in and to the following described real estate, to wit:—A certain parcel of land known as the Campbell lot, situated on Rabbit Knoll, so called, and being the northerly part of lot numbered three in range six, in said Upton, by the original survey, and being tract "K" as shown by the plan accompanying deed of township lands in said Upton to Ezekiah Winslow, and bounded on all sides by land formerly of E. S. Coe et als.

ELLERY C. PARK, Administrator.

Bethel, Me., Mar. 28, 1900.

WANTED!

Reliable man for Manager of Branch Office I wish to open in this vicinity. Good opening for an energetic sober man. Kindly mention this paper when writing.

A. T. MORRIS, Cincinnati, O.

Illustrated catalogue 4 cts. postage.

SALOMY JANE'S KISS.

BY BRET HARTE.

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CHAPTER I.

Only one shot had been fired. It had gone wide of its mark, the ringleader of the vigilantes, and had left Red Pete, who had fired it, covered by their rifles and at their mercy, for his hand had been cramped by hard riding and his eye distracted by their sudden onset, and so the inevitable end had come. He submitted sullenly to his captors. His companion fugitive and horse thief gave up the protracted struggle with a feeling not unlike relief. Even the hot and vengeful victors were content. They had taken their men alive. At any time during the long chase they could have brought them down by a

rifle shot, but it would have been unsportsmanlike and have ended in a free fight instead of an example. And, for the matter of that, their doom was already sealed. Their end by a rope and a tree, although not sanctioned by law, would have at least the deliberation of justice. It was the tribute paid by the vigilantes to that order which they themselves had disregarded in the pursuit and capture. Yet this strange logic of the frontier sufficed them and gave a certain dignity to the climax.

"If you've got anything to say to your folks, say it now, and say it quick," said the ringleader.

Red Pete glanced around him. He had been run to earth at his own cabin in the clearing, whence a few relatives and friends, mostly women and children, noncombatants, had overflooded, gazing vacantly at the 20 vigilantes who surrounded them. All were accustomed to scenes of violence, blood feud, chase and hardship. It was only the suddenness of the onset and its quick result that had surprised them. They looked on with dazed curiosity and some disappointment. There had been no fight to speak of, no spectacle. A boy, nephew of Red Pete, got upon the rain barrel to view the proceedings more comfortably. A tall, handsome, lazy Kentucky girl, a visiting neighbor, leaned against the doorpost, chewing gum. Only a yellow bond was actively perplexed. He could not make out if a hunt were just over or beginning and ran eagerly backward and forward, leaping alternately upon the captives and the captors.

The ringleader repeated his challenge. Red Pete gave a reckless laugh and looked at his wife, at which Mrs. Red Pete came forward. It seemed that he had much to say, incoherently, furiously, vindictively, to the ringleader. His soul would roast in hell for that day's work! He called himself a man, skulking in the open and afraid to show himself except with a crowd of other "kixies" around a house of women and children. Hearing insult on insult, inveighing against his low blood, his ancestors, his dubious origin, she at last flung out a wild taunt of his invalid wife, the insult of a woman to a woman, until his white face grew rigid and only that western American fetch of the sanctity of sex kept his twitching fingers from the lock of his rifle. Even her husband noticed it, and, with a half authoritative "Let up on that, old gal," and a pat of his freed left hand on her back, took his last parting. The ringleader, still white under the lash of the woman's tongue, turned abruptly to the second captive, "And, if you've got anybody to say goodbye to, now's your chance."

The man looked up. Nobody stirred or spoke. He was a stranger there, being a chance confederate picked up by Red Pete and known to no one. Still young, but an outlaw from his abandoned boyhood, of which father and mother were only an ugly forgotten dream, he loved horses and stole them, fully accepting the frontier penalty of life for the interference with that animal on which a man's life so often depended. But he understood the good points of a horse, as was shown by the one he bestrode, until a few days before the property of Judge Boompointer. This was his sole distinction.

The unexpected question stirred him for a moment out of the attitude of reckless indifference, for attitude it was and a part of his profession, but it may have touched him that at that moment he was less than his companion and his virago wife. However, he only shook his head. As he did so his eye casually fell on the handsome girl by the doorpost, who was looking at him. The ringleader, too, may have been touched by his complete loneliness, for he hesitated. At the same moment he saw that the girl was looking at his friendless captive.

A grotesque idea struck him. "Salomy Jane, you might do worse than come yere and say goodbye to a dyin' man, and him a stranger," he said.

There seemed to be a subtle stroke of poetry and irony in this that equally struck the apathetic crowd. It was well known that Salomy Jane Clay thought no small point of herself and always held off the local swain with a lazy, nymphlike scorn. Nevertheless she slowly disengaged herself from the doorpost and, to everybody's astonishment, lounged, with languid grace and outstretched hand, toward the prisoner. The color came into the gray, reckless mask which the doomed man wore as her right hand grasped his left, just loosed by his captors. Then she paused. Her shy, fawnlike eyes grew bold and fixed themselves

upon him. She took the chewing gum from her mouth, wiped her red lips with the back of her hand, by a sudden lithe spring placed her foot on his stirrup and, bounding to the saddle, threw her arms about his neck and pressed a kiss upon his lips.

They remained thus for a hushed moment, the man on the threshold of death, the young woman in the fullness of youth and beauty, linked together. Then the crowd laughed. In the audacious effrontery of the girl's act the ultimate fate of the two men was forgotten. She slipped languidly to the ground. She was the focus of all eyes, she only. The ringleader saw it and his opportunity. He shouted, "Time's up—forward!" urged his horse beside the captives, and the next moment the whole cavalcade was sweeping over the clearing into the darkening woods.

Their destination was Sawyers Crossing, the headquarters of the committee, where the council was still sitting and where both culprits were to expiate the offense of which that council had already found them guilty. They rode in great and breathless haste—a haste in which, strangely enough, even the captives seemed to join. That haste possibly prevented them from noticing the singular change which had taken place in the second captive since the episode of the kiss. His high color remained as if it had burned through his mask of indifference. His eyes were quick, alert and keen, his mouth half open, as if the girl's kiss still lingered there. And that haste had made them careless, for the horse of the man who led him slipped in a gopher hole, rolled over, unsent his rider and even dragged the bound and helpless second captive from Judge Boompointer's favorite mare. In an instant they were all on their feet again, but in that supreme moment the second captive had felt that the cords which bound his arms had slipped to his wrists. By keeping his elbows to his sides and obliging the others to help him mount it escaped their notice. By riding close to his captors and keeping in the crush of the throng he further concealed the accident, slowly working his hands downward out of his bonds.

Their way lay through a sylvan wilderness, middle deep in ferns, whose tall fronds brushed their horses' sides in their furious gallop and concealed the flapping of the captive's loosened cords. The peaceful vista, more suggestive of the offerings of nymphs and shepherds than of human sacrifice, was in a strange contrast to this whirlwind rush of stern, armed men. The westerling sun pierced the subdued light and the tremor of leaves with yellow lances, birds started into song on blue and dove-like wings, and on either side of the trail of this vengeful storm could be heard the murmur of hidden and tranquil waters.

In a few moments they would be on the open ridge, whence sloped the common turnpike to Sawyers, a mile away. It was the custom of returning cavalades to take this hill at headlong speed, with shouts and cries that heralded their coming. They withheld the latter that day as inconsistent with their dignity, but, emerging from the wood, swept silently like an avalanche down the slope. They were well under way, looking only to their horses, when the second captive slipped his right arm from the bonds and succeeded in grasping the reins that lay trailing on the horse's neck. "A sudden vaquero jerk, which the well trained animal understood, threw him on his



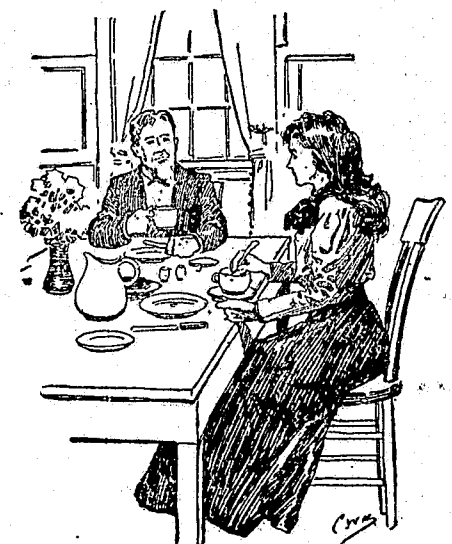
She pressed a kiss upon his lips. launches, with his fore legs firmly planted on the slope. The rest of the cavalcade swept on. The man who was leading the captive's horse by the reins, thinking only of another accident, dropped the line to save himself from being dragged backward from his horse. The captive wheeled and the next moment was galloping furiously up the slope.

It was the work of a moment, a trained horse and an experienced hand. The cavalcade had covered nearly 50 yards before they could pull up. The freed captive had covered half that distance up hill. The road was so narrow that only two shots could be fired, and these broke dust two yards ahead of the fugitive. They had not dared to fire low. The horse was the more valuable animal. The fugitive knew this in his extremity also and would have gladly taken a shot in his

own leg to spare that of his horse. Five men were detached to recapture or kill him. The latter seemed inevitable. But he had calculated his chances. Before they could reload he had reached the woods again. Winding in and out between the pillared tree trunks, he offered no mark. They knew his horse was superior to their own. At the end of two hours they returned, for he had disappeared without track or trail. The end was briefly told in The Sierra Record:

"Red Pete, the notorious horse thief who has so long eluded justice, was captured and hung by the Sawyers Crossing vigilantes last week. His confederate unfortunately escaped on a valuable horse belonging to Judge Boompointer. The judge had refused \$1,000 for the horse only a week before. As the thief, who is still at large, would find it difficult to dispose of so valuable an animal without detection, the chances are against either of them turning up again."

Salomy Jane watched the cavalcade until it had disappeared. Then she became aware that her brief popularity had passed. Mrs. Red Pete, in stormy hysterics, had included her in a sweeping denunciation of the whole un-



"I'll tell him that when he's on his way to be hung I'll kiss him."

verse, possibly for simulating an emotion in which she herself was deficient. The other women hated her for her momentary exaltation above them. Only the children still admired her as one who had undoubtedly "canoodled" with a man "a-goin' to be hung," a darling sight beyond their wildest ambition. Salomy Jane accepted the change with charming unconcern. She put on her yellow nankin sunbonnet, a hideous affair that would have ruined any other woman, but which only enhanced the pliancy of her fresh brunette skin, tied the strings, letting the blue braids escape below its frilled curtain behind, jumped on her mustang with a casual display of agile ankles in shapely white stockings, whistled to the bound and, waving her hand with a "So long, sonny!" to the lately bereft, but admiring nephew, flapped and flattered away in her short brown holland gown.

Her father's house was four miles distant. Contrasted with the cabin she had just quitted, it was a superior dwelling, with a long "lean to" at the rear, which brought the eaves almost to the ground and made it look like a low triangle. It had a long barn and cattle sheds, for Madison Clay was a "great" stock raiser and the owner of a "quarter section." It had a sitting room and a parlor organ, whose transportation thither had been a marvel of packing. These things were supposed to give Salomy Jane an undue importance, but the girl's reserve and inaccessibility to local advances were rather the result of a cool, lazy temperament and the preoccupation of a large, protecting admiration for her father, for some years a widower.

Mr. Madison Clay's life had been threatened in one or two feuds—it was said, not without cause—and it is possible that the pathetic spectacle of her father doing his visiting with a shotgun may have touched her closely and somewhat prejudiced her against the neighboring masculinity. The thought that cattle, horses and "quarter section" would one day be hers did not disturb her calm. As for Mr. Clay, he accepted her as housewife, though somewhat interfering, and, being one of his own womankind, therefore not without some degree of merit.

"Wot's this yere I'm hearin' of your doin's over at Red Pete's? Honey-toggin' with a horse thief, eh?" said Mr. Clay two days later at breakfast. "I reckon you heard about the straight thing, then," said Salomy Jane unconcernedly, without looking around.

"Wot do you kalkilate Rube will say to it? Wot are you goin' to tell him?" said Mr. Clay sarcastically.

Rube, or Reuben, Waters was a swain supposed to be favored particularly by Mr. Clay. Salomy Jane looked up.

"I'll tell him that when he's on his way to be hung I'll kiss him, not till then," said the young lady brightly. This delightful witticism suited the paternal humor, and Mr. Clay smiled, but nevertheless he frowned a moment afterward.

"But this yere hoss thief got away arter all, and that's a hoss of a different color," he said grimly.

Salomy Jane put down her knife and fork. This was certainly a new and different phase of the situation. She had never thought of it before, and, strangely enough, for the first time she became interested in the man. "Got away," she repeated. "Did they let him off?"

"Not much," said her father briefly; "slipped his cords and, going down the grade, pulled up short, just like a vaquero ag'in a lassoed bull, almost dragging the man leadin' him off his boss, and they skuttled up the grade. For that matter, on that boss of Judge Boompointer's he must have dragged the whole posse of 'em down on their

knees ef he liked. Saved 'em right too. Instead of stringin' him up afore the door or shootin' him on sight, they must allow to take him down afore the hull committee for an example. 'Example' be blowed! Thar's example enough when some stranger comes unbeknownst slap onto a man hanged to a tree and plugged full of holes. Thar's an example, and he knows wot it means. Wot more do you want? But then those vigilantes is allus clingin' and hangin' onto some mere scrap of the law they're pretendin' to despise. It makes me sick! Why, when Jake Myers shot your ole man, Viney's second husband, and I laid in wait for Jake arterward in the Butternut hollow, did I tie him to his hoss and fetch him down to your aunt Viney's cabin for an example before I plugged him? No!" in deep disgust. "No! Why, I just meandered through the wood, carelesslike, till he comes out, and I just rode up to him, and I said—"

But Salomy Jane had heard her father's story before. Even one's dearest relatives are apt to become tiresome in narration. "I know, dad," she interrupted, "but this yere man, this hoss thief, did he get clean away without gettin' hurt at all?"

"He did, and unless he's fool enough to sell the hoss he kin keep away too. So, you see, you can't ladle out that purp stuff about a dyin' stranger to Rube. He won't swallow it."

"All the same, dad," returned the girl cheerfully, "I reckon to say it, and say more. I'll tell him that ef he manages to get away, too, I'll marry him—there! But you don't ketch Rube takin' any such risks in gettin' ketched or in gettin' away arter."

Madison Clay smiled grimly, pushed back his chair, rose, dropped a perfunctory kiss on his daughter's hair and, taking his shotgun from the corner, departed on a peaceful Samaritan mission to a cow that had dropped a calf in the far pasture. Inclined as he was to Reuben's wooing from his eligibility as to property, he was conscious that he was sadly deficient in certain qualities inherent in the Clay family. It certainly would be a kind of misalliance.

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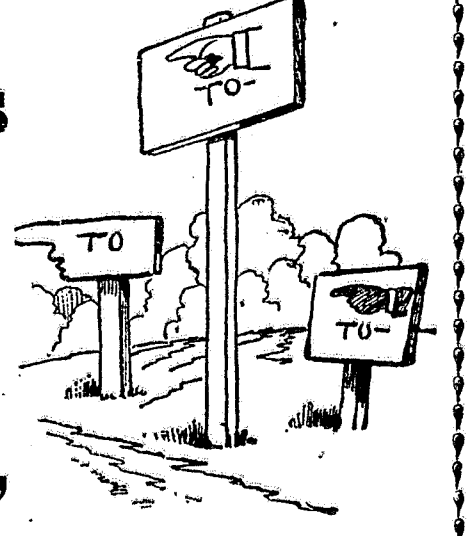
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WOMAN'S WORLD.

A Woman's Request.

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Plant no roses, sweet and rare;
For that tribute, naught I care—
Send me roses while I'm here.
—Detroit Free Press.

Peace.

"In me ye have peace,"—John xvi, 33.
The shadow, Father, is our own,
That sends across our life a stain,
The discord is in us alone,
That makes the echoing earth complain.

O, God, how beautiful is life,
Since thou its soul and sweetness art!
How dies its childish fret and strife
On Thy all-harmonizing heart!
Leaving behind me dust and clay,
From selfish hindrance set free,
I find at last my broadening way
Unto my ocean rest in Thee.

—Lucy Larcom.

Not in rewards, but in the strength to strive,
The blessing lies, and new experience gained;

In daily duties done, hope kept alive,
That Love and Thought are housed and entertained.

—John T. Trowbridge.

Forming a Child's Character Before Its Seventh Year.

It has been stated repeatedly that the first seven years of a child's life cover sufficient ground in the formation of character practically to decide its future in so far as the child's higher attributes are concerned. Largely influenced by this assumption, the mothers of today devote a great deal of attention to the training of the baby from the day of its arrival.

The baby understands that when it is laid in the cradle, comfortable, warm and well nourished, it must go to sleep. This habit is established as soon as the small tyrant finds that lamentations are unavailing to secure for it the rocking to sleep or the enjoyment derived from making the weary mother walk the floor for hours.

Sometimes it is hard to make the misled but tender hearted parents understand how soon good habits can be established if firmly persisted in, and a young mother recently experienced considerable trouble in convincing the father of the child that it must not be rocked to sleep.

"I really can't stand hearing that poor baby cry," he said, when the child lifted up its voice and wept to be taken up.

"She will only cry a few times," urged the mother. "Please don't break up her training at the very beginning."

"Well, if you can stand it, I can't," said the husband, who was quite "broken up" with grief and sympathy for the shrieking morsel of humanity. "I don't see how you can bear to hear that child cry, and I'm going out of the house while this 'training' business goes on. And out he went.

A 'reform' in baby clothes is also absorbing the attention of the mothers, and the conviction prevails that the long frocks heretofore so popular for young babies are detrimental to the well-being and development of the child. The short, bell-shaped gown is advocated, and is fashioned of soft, clinging material.

A new method of bathing babies is that which has been brought from Russia, where it is much used among the peasants. A flannel sheet is laid in the tub, the corners hanging outside, and a flannel pillow is placed at one end of the tub to make it resemble a bed. Water heated to the proper temperature fills the tub to below the level of the pillow on which baby's head rests while the bath is in progress. When the bath is over the flannel sheet is folded around the baby, and the drying process is accomplished by means of heated towels, while the baby is held near a fire to avoid any danger of a chill.

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the promise for the future. When it arrives at the stage where it deals with the realities of life, the all-pervading effect of present enjoyments passes away, and with it the capacity for enjoying the present without care for the past or future. A poet has voiced this sentiment in these words:

"There are gains for all our losses,
There are balm for all our pains;
But when youth the dream departs,
It takes something from our hearts;
Something beautiful has vanished,
And will never come again."

The regular education of the child begins now at an early age, by means of kindergartens so liberally distributed throughout the country. This system being used in connection with the public schools places it within the reach of all.

Logic of Little Folks.

When a child begins to talk it develops in some cases an aptness for prevarication. One small boy displayed such a marked tendency in this direction that he was informed that "liars have their portion of the lake of fire." He was somewhat impressed by the statement, but after cogitating a few moments he exclaimed with the air of one who has solved some great question: "I'll tell you what I'd do, mamma; I'd crawl out while the devil was striking the match."

A contributor to "The Trained Motherhood Advertiser" gives the following instances of quaint sayings of children:

"Tommy," said a father to his precocious five-year-old son and heir, "your mother tells me she gives you pennies to be good. Do you think that is right?"

"Of course it is," replied Tommy. "You certainly don't want me to grow up and be good for nothing, do you?"

Robbie had longed earnestly for a baby brother and a pair of white rabbits. The answer to both wishes came on the same morning, but it was not quite satisfactory for there were two baby brothers and only one rabbit. Robbie was greatly disgusted at the mistake.

The next day his father found the following notice tacked to the gate post: "For Sail—One nice fat baby or I will swap him for a white Rabbit."

What unthankfulness it is to forget our consolations, to think so much upon two or three crosses as to forget a hundred blessings—Sibbes.

How to Bake Potatoes and Cheese.

Wash thoroughly rather large, even sized potatoes; bake until soft when pressed between a cloth, but take care not to overcook. For six potatoes have ready a cup of grated cheese. Cut exactly in half, taking care to keep the skins whole. Scoop the potato out with a fork into a hot dish, sprinkle the cheese through, add two tablespoons of hot milk and pepper and salt to taste. Whip the whole lightly but thoroughly with a wire beater or fork, put back in the skins, allow a little knob of the filling to appear in the center where the potato is joined as if it had burst open naturally while baking. Rub each knob over with beaten egg, return to the oven long enough to brown nicely and serve.

How to Make Beef Rissoles.

Take slices of cold roast beef, rather lean, and mince very fine. Season lightly with pepper and salt, add a few savory herbs chopped, the peel of half a lemon and a little more than half the weight of the beef in bread crumbs. Mix thoroughly, bind with two well beaten eggs, form into balls, roll in egg and bread crumbs and fry to a nice brown. Serve with brown gravy poured over them.

How to Roast Loin of Pork.

The outer skin should be neatly and well scored in regular strips, to enable the carver to cut slices easily. Before putting the joint to the fire rub the skin with salad oil to prevent its blistering and baste frequently. Dish the pork, pour off the fat, put a little hot water in the pan, shake in a spoonful of flour and a little salt and pepper. Give it one boil over the fire, then strain over the meat. The pork will take from an hour and three-quarters to two hours to cook. Serve with sage and onions and apple sauce.

How to Steep Tripe.

One pound of tripe, three onions, an ounce of fine white flour, one-half pint of milk, a little salt. Cut the tripe in nice square pieces and put it in a lined saucepan with sufficient water to cover it. Steep gently for an hour and a quarter, then add the onions, peeled and sliced, and simmer for an hour. Mix the flour with the milk and add half a pint of the liquor from the tripe, season to taste and boil for ten minutes, drain the tripe and add it with the onions to the sauce. Let it get thoroughly hot and serve.

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Then the carpet of soft moss is turned and shaken, and all old nutshells and the bits of beechmast picked out and thrown overboard. Under any squirrel's "drey" just now you may see the discarded rubbish lying about thickly. A new moss carpet is often necessary, and the whole house may want strengthening. Then the rafters are looked to—the bindings by which the nest is slung up to the twigs.

A female wasp is a scrupulous housewife, too. It is really her business to build a brand new home—or, rather, the beginnings of one—and lay her eggs in that. But wasps are lazy at best, and she often pitches on an old wasp's nest, and makes it do. She generally sits on it quietly for some time, as if making calculations, and moving her tail nervously. Then she hustles about with frantic haste, as if company were expected, and there was not a moment to lose. The chewed woodpaper walls she cleans with her leg brushes, as a fly washes its face, and patches up holes that might let in a draught, for draughts are bad for wasp grubs. Then she sweeps all dust and rubbish into a corner of the nest, which may be a paper-lined globe in a hay loft, or a paper-lined hole in the ground. This is not a tidy proceeding for a housewife, but it would take too long to carry all the rubbish away. Then she lays her eggs, and dies decently, leaving the grubs to hatch and look after themselves.

Moles spring-clean their castles at this time. A castle sounds a large order for one beast to clean, but that's the name of the mole's fortress, which is a sort of unturbid apartment underground, with a spare room or two, and scores of corridors leading all over the neighborhood. He begins by stamping the floor flat, and treading all unevenness down. This cannot be called good house keeping, but the result is satisfactory. Then he shores up the partition, and goes through the corridors, brushing them smooth with his fur as he passes.—Exchange.

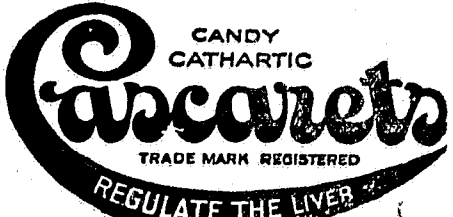
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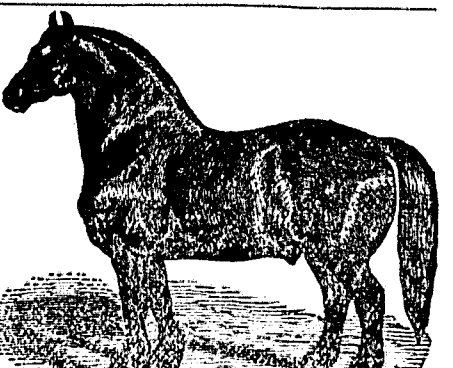
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WEDNESDAY, April 4, 1900.

FAST DAY PROCLAMATION.

Conforming to a time-honored custom, inaugurated by the pioneers and early settlers of New England, venerated by our fathers, and very generally observed throughout that section of our country down to the present time; I do now, by the authority vested in me as Governor, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, appoint

Thursday, the Nineteenth Day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand and Nine Hundred,

as a day of fasting and prayer, to be observed by all the people of Maine in a manner, which, in this sunset year of the nineteenth century, shall appropriately and reverently recall and recognize the association and memories which still cluster around this annually recurring day.

Given at the Executive Chamber, in Augusta, this twentieth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twenty-fourth.

LEWELLYN POWERS.

By the Governor,
Byron Boyd, Secretary of State.

The President's "plain duty" will be collected at the custom house.

Of course, as between the people and the sugar trust, the former do not expect to be considered first.

It really begins to look as though, after all, there might be something in those Kentucky charges of a political conspiracy to murder Goebel.

Lawyer Dill has received a fee of a cool million for acting as a successful peacemaker between Carnegie and Frick. Who pays this money? Who can afford to pay it? And where did they get it?

If there is anything more absurd than the contention that the United States has negated the Monroe doctrine either by its expansion in the east, or by offering mediation in the Transvaal, we have not yet heard it. The Monroe doctrine depends on our power to enforce it and on the willingness of Europe to contest the issue with us. All these fine drawn arguments are no more than so much wind.

The country seems to have lost sight of the fact that the House will undoubtedly have another chance to vote on the Puerto Rican tariff, whether the Senate amends the pending bill or not. If the Senate does amend it, it must go back to the House, and if the Senate does not amend it, an effort will unquestionably be made to engraft a free trade amendment on the civil government bill when it comes up for action, as it must do sooner or later. Thus the Senate probably acts wisely in combining the two bills and letting the matter be fought out once for all.

The Puerto Rican bill was passed by the Senate yesterday by a vote of 40 to 31. This, however, does not settle the matter, as the bill not being identical with the original House bill, must be returned to the House for concurrence, where another effort will doubtless be made to substitute a free trade bill pure and simple. Such a turn of affairs, however, is hardly probable, for while there are many members who regret that they voted for the bill, yet they would hardly care to take the responsibility of thus unsettling the Puerto Rican question at this late day.

The Business and Art of Living.

"His own eye stands in his light," said old John Earle nearly four hundred years ago. Was he looking forward? Montaigne, who always set frankness before diplomacy, and yet was a most wary and wily man, said, "My business and my art is to live." Most of us could say the same thing, and add to it that day by day the difficulty of our business and our art grows more and more serious.

It is a familiar remark, heard on all sides, that happy marriage is practically prohibited to the poor and ambitious young men of our country, by reason of the tremendous competition in all the fields of labor, the consequent uncertainty of employment, and the inadequacy of wages to the increased demands of a happy domestic life. This may be true, if we grant that the increased demands are necessary, and if it can be shown that the certainty of employment and the rewards of labor have actually decreased. But if we go back to pioneer days, and carefully note conditions then, we shall be able to trace the general history of the "art and business" of living down, through all its changes, to the present moment, with a primitive criterion for our measure of difficulties. When a young man who got married had to build a cabin with his own hands, clear a little farm in the wilderness, and begin matrimonial bliss sandwiched between the chances of starvation or the tooth and claw of a wild beast, and having himself and his bride scalped by savages, there surely were not many advantages that he could count in his favor which would be considered valuable by the poorest youth of our day. His business and art was to live in spite of hardships too enormous for pleasant consideration in the light of electric lamps. He got pleasure out of conditions so crude, meagre and sapless that we cannot find them even romantic, while we are thundering along by steam at the rate of sixty miles an hour. We do not relish comparison with our grandfathers and grandmothers. What have those old fogies, with their flintlock guns and homemade spinning-wheels, to do with us?

It doubtless is true that every tub must keep itself from falling to staves if it would hold water—each generation must see to its own business and art of life; but there are some changeless and eternal canons of conduct looking toward genuine human happiness. One of them is mutual self-sacrifice for matrimony's sake. Love in a cottage may be out of date; but it is not abolished. No reasonably intelligent and shifty young man need nowadays live in a log cabin daubed with clay during his honeymoon; but the trouble in his path is that he cannot have a private palace car and a steam yacht in which to make a wedding tour.

A grizzled and finely preserved octogenarian told the other day, in a pleasantly reminiscent and glib mood, how he contracted to split rails for the minister who married him.

"I was nineteen when I took a wife," he said, "and my two hands were my capital, my only source of income. So I was glad to agree to split three hundred rails to pay the preacher for performing the marriage ceremony. The fun of it was that I finished the rail job in one day, when a fair day's work would have been two hundred rails. Seeing how easy had been the performance of my contract, the good parson declared that I had cheated him, and the upshot was that I had to satisfy him by splitting a hundred more rails than the agreement called for!" Young men of our time would consider long before beginning the business and art of life under such conditions. When asked what wages he received during the first year of his married life the old man said: "Oh I was an extra-good worker; I got fifteen dollars a month!"

It may be, after all, that we have a much easier life, and a far better prospect, than had any generation of men and women in all the past; but have we the optimism and the courage?

Our "business and art is to live," but we want royal business and kingly art. Our own eyes stand in our light. MAURICE THOMPSON.

Edicate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever, 10c, 25c. If C. C. fail, druggists refund money.



Gov. Powers has designated Apr. 19 to be the day of "fasting and prayer."

The Oxford County delegation to the Second Congressional District Republican convention will present the name of Hon. Waldo Pettengill as a candidate for delegate to the national convention.

According to the last United States census there are in the United States but 191 women who are carpenters and joiners, and one of these lives in Machias. This is Mrs. George H. Keniston who, the Bangor News hears, can do a good piece of work in lathing, planing, laying floors or putting on finish. Her husband is a carpenter and she learned the trade of him.

Mr. William C. Mooney, for 35 years baggage master at the G. T. R. station, died at West Paris Friday evening at the age of 75 years. Mr. Mooney has been in failing health for the past eight months. Last Thursday evening while in his woodshed he was stricken with paralysis. He leaves a widow and two grown up sons. He was a man highly respected, a valuable citizen and an excellent neighbor.

It is reported that the name of W. E. Pulsifer (an Oxford County man) of the D. C. Heath Co., publishers, is being urged by members of the Brooklyn Union League Club, of which he is the president, for the nomination for Congress from the Borough of Brooklyn.

PINE TREE CHIPS

The college glee club are planning to spend the spring vacation in scattering melody broadcast over the State.

Rumford Falls Times: We are glad to note that a number of the leading Maine papers have taken up the cause of the birds, and are wielding a vigorous pen against the ruthless slaughter of millions of the most beautiful and dainty of God's creatures, just to gratify a senseless whim of fashion. We have often looked over a congregation in our churches and wondering how women professing to be Christians could tolerate a fashion so cruel and decorate their headgear, not only with feathers and wings, but also heads and stuffed bodies of the dead birds.

There is said to be an unprecedented demand for summer cottages.

It was certainly a case of getting the wrong pig by the ear, when a certain liquor distilling company which has been sending its products into the State labelled "Seeds" shipped one of its packages to the husband of the president of a W. C. T. U. over in Hancock Co.

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WISCONSIN ROADS.

State Road Convention Declares For State Aid.

At the first state good roads convention ever held in Wisconsin, which convened recently at Milwaukee, nearly 1,000 delegates were present. Resolutions were formulated and referred to a committee declaring that the good roads movement deserves increased attention and the support of the United States department of agriculture; that the discussion of good roads and road building methods approved at the Wisconsin farmers' institutes should be indorsed; that every town should own and employ road graders, road rollers and a stone crusher for macadamizing purposes, to be purchased by collection of road taxes in cash, and that competent labor should be employed for the improvement of country roads leading to county seats and market towns.

The resolutions declared also that these results can best be obtained by state aid, which system is enjoyed by New Jersey, Massachusetts, New York, Rhode Island and Connecticut. The constitutional amendment now pending for such aid was favored.

The Cost of Mud.

More than \$4,000,000 of public funds is spent annually for the 100,000 miles of roads in Illinois. It is estimated that this fund carefully spent would construct 2,000 miles of macadam roads and properly drain and roll 20,000 miles of dirt roads annually. Ninety-nine per cent of every load transported by railways or steamer lines is carried in a wagon or truck over a highway, it is said. As statistics collected by the office of road inquiry under the secretary of agriculture at Washington prove that it costs the American farmer nearly three times as much as it does the European agriculturist, the good roads movement is awakening great interest.

The Good Roads Campaign.

There will not often be a political campaign in this country which will involve more important interests than the campaign for good roads which is now on in many states.

The earnestness and activity with which this campaign is being pushed indicate an advance of popular intelligence and the growth of a true spirit of progress.

The agitation for good roads is confined to no section. It is going on in the north and the west and the south, though we regret to say that it is by no means as strong in the south as it is in the other sections of the country.—Atlanta Journal.

The Good Roads Movement.

The good roads movement in this country is not of recent origin, as many who are following and agitating it may think. In the earlier part of the century an agitation for good roads was kept up for nearly 50 years and had among its leaders such men as Henry Clay and John Calhoun. This movement resulted in the government taking a sufficient interest in it to provide for a national turnpike through the leading eastern cities to those in the west. About the time the movement became so prominent as to cause the road work to stop.

Left Handed Philosophy. The philosophy of a good many people appears to be similar to that of the French peasant.

"As for the roads which are now bad," he said, "it is of no use to repair them, for nobody travels over them, and, as for those which are good, why do anything to them until they get bad?"

Road Hints.

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I cordially invite all my old patrons and the public in general to give me a call whether you purchase or not.

I have greatly enlarged my Clothing Department, with the latest styles the market affords.

The stock of Dress Goods has not been neglected. You will readily see if you will give us a call.

This week I call your attention to a fine line of

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Thanking you for past favors, I am

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1899.

Stocks and Bonds	\$1,070,835 55
Cash in office and bank	154,011 60
Bills Receivable	91 70
Interest and Rents	5,889 95
Uncollected Premiums	103,053 09
All other assets	12,764 55
Gross Assets	\$2,307,637 77

Admitted Assets

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1899.

Net unpaid losses	\$ 151,067 45
Unearned Premiums	768,021 36
All other liabilities	22,619 70
Total	\$ 941,698 51

Surplus over all liabilities

Total liabilities and surplus

W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents,

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NEWRY CORNER.

The farmer thinks about the spring and lays his plans for sugaring; From out the shed his buckets bring To drive the hoops and mend the rings; Then loads the sled without delay With them and to the woods away: Hang up the buckets and begin The jolly job of sugaring."

Herman Holt of Waterford, is visiting his brother, Merton Holt. Miss Clara Brayley spent a few days with her cousin, Beulah York. I think we now can safely shake hands with winter, and bid her good bye.

Walter Powers passes through our village at a very early hour on his way, with his timber to mill.

April first there were no services at the Union church as Rev. O. L. Stone supplied the church at Bryant Pond.

Our friends, Emery and Bartlett with their necessary equipments, came from camp last week to their homes.

For the present, H. S. Hastings has concluded the shipping of hay, and transferred his attention to sugaring.

Mr. Otis Baker and his bride, formerly Miss Jennie Bell of Lawrence, Mass., are visiting his friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Virgil Chapman is still suffering with her hand though there are indications that the needle will emerge from the back of the hand.

NORTH NEWRY.

Mr. Henry Learned of Andover, was in town this week visiting.

Mr. Y. A. Thurston and family of Rumford, were in town Sunday.

Mrs. Irving Stearns and daughter, are the guests of A. C. Littlehale.

Mr. Otis Baker and wife of Lawrence, Mass., are spending a few weeks with his mother, Mrs. Nathan Baker.

Mr. I. P. Kilgore went to Rumford Falls last Friday to get Miss Myra Libby, who has been there at work.

M. L. Thurston was at home over Sunday; he took his son Ray back with him to Andover, to assist him in making preparation for driving.

Mrs. Mary Littlehale and daughter Maenette, returned to their home last Tuesday from Rockland, where Mrs. Littlehale has been spending the winter; she is very poorly at the present time.

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GROVER HILL.

"There is no glory in star or blossom, Till looked upon by a loving eye; There is no fragrance in April breezes, Till breathed with joy as they wander by."

Peter Wheeler has put in his ice. Robins are with us again, and as usual are very musical.

Levi N. Bartlett and family recently visited at Dana Bartlett's.

A. J. Peaslee has had his road shoveled out; so it is now passable.

Augustus Grover and True Browne have returned home from Geo. Chapman's, where they have been at work.

Mr. W. M. Browne, who is in Epworth, Iowa, wrote that he should expect his children to come west in about ten days.

Mr. E. C. Jackson, who passed the winter with his daughter, Mrs. N. A. Stearns, has returned to his home at Norway.

Alta Vera Whitman, who has been boarding at A. L. Whitman's the past fall and winter, has gone to Boston, where her father is.

ALBANY.

F. G. Sloan was on the sick list a few days last week.

We understand that Henry Pingree started for California Mar. 29.

Nearly every one in this vicinity seems to be taking advantage of the fine snow crusts.

S. G. Bean and sister Ada, also Mrs. Alma Judkins, spent Apr. 1, with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sawin.

Parker Braden has nearly finished his job getting off birch and poplar on the Kilborn place.

Miss Sibyl and Viola Cummings, and Miss Ada Bean, called on Mrs. Bertha Brooks at her old home in Bethel, March 29.

The entertainment given by the L. R. T. Club at Albany Town House on Monday evening Mar. 26, was a grand success both socially and financially. There was a goodly number present, people coming from nearly all the surrounding towns, Bethel, Greenwood, Waterford and Stoneham. After the program, nearly all took part in shaking "the light fantastic toe" until the wee sma' hours of the morn.

Connors and Inman furnished very pleasing music throughout the evening.

GRAFTON.

G. A. Otis and J. W. Bartlett were in Bethel last week.

Peter and Adelbert York of Berlin, N. H., called on friends in this town, recently.

Fred Tyler and Harlan Bartlett, who have been working in Houghton for Henry Lombard, have returned home.

E. B. Farrar made several trips to Newry Corner, last week, for the purpose of moving the household goods of his sister, Mrs. C. T. Parker, who will live in the house owned by J. H. Farrar, in this town.

Mr. and Mrs. James Canning, who have lived here the past two years, have moved into the house in Upton, formerly owned by Fordyce Brooks. Mrs. Canning has been staying with her sister at Sunday River, this winter.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

We enjoyed a pleasant afternoon with Mrs. Maria Hazeltine, Thursday.

Alice Wheeler called on Mrs. A. A. Bruce and Mrs. A. Kimball, last Saturday.

Geo. Briggs went to Greenwood, Sunday, to call on his sister, Mrs. Osgood Swan.

Arriell Carver and family were guests at Geo. Briggs', Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Lydia Fernald attended the Ladies' Club at Mrs. Millard Lord's, last Saturday.

In almost every neighborhood there is some one whose life has been saved by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, or who has been cured of chronic diarrhoea by the use of that medicine. Such persons make a point of telling of it whenever opportunity offers, hoping that it may be the means of saving other lives.

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PARIS.

George Elder and family have moved to Norway.

Arnold Lade has been working for F. A. Briggs, the past week.

L. Waterhouse and family are visiting at Joseph Briggs'. J. A. Starbird is building an 18-foot addition to the east end of his barn.

Paris Grange conferred the third and fourth degrees upon a class of ten, last Saturday.

Teliss Thibodeau and wife with O. H. Canwell and wife of Norway, have moved onto the farm they recently bought of Geo. Elder.

F. L. Penley was severely injured, last Friday, by the breaking of a stake on the sled which caused the horses to run away. Mr. Penley fell in front of the sled and was dragged, receiving internal injuries, it is feared.

Mrs. Lucy, widow of Austin Chase, died Mar. 23, aged 87 years, 9 months, 15 days. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Jennie Tucker, and one grandson, Herbert M. Tucker. She had been a member of the Baptist church on Paris Hill, 63 years. The funeral was from her late residence, Mar. 25, conducted by Rev. T. J. Ramsdell of So. Paris.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Percy Ripley is repairing the dam.

Miss Addie Flint is sick with a sore throat.

The Masons are meeting at M. C. Linnell's, Thursday evenings.

Edgar H. Brooks went to Berlin, Monday, returning Wednesday.

Percy Taylor went into the woods with J. W. Bucknam, the first of the week.

Bean & Whitcomb's teams have come out of the woods; 60 horses and 56 men.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holmes, who were called here by the sickness and death of Mrs. J. W. Clark, started for their home in Middlesex, Vt., Monday. J. W. Clark went with them for a few weeks' stay.

MIDDLE INTERVAL.

Jack Carter is staying at A. M. Carter's for a while.

Mrs. Guy Swan came to S. N. Kimball's, a week ago.

Rose Kimball spent Sunday with Mrs. B. W. Kimball.

Mrs. J. F. Berry went home last week, stopping on her way to visit relatives at West Paris.

C. H. Kimball and wife of East Bethel, visited friends in this place, last week. They reported the travelling as being very bad.

LANGUID

Many a school-girl is said to be lazy and shiftless when she doesn't deserve the least bit of it. She can't study, easily falls asleep, is nervous and tired all the time. And what can you expect? Her brain is being fed with impure blood and her whole system is suffering from poisoning. Such girls are wonderfully helped and greatly changed, by taking

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Hundreds of thousands of schoolgirls have taken it during the past 50 years. Many of these girls now have homes of their own. They remember what cured them, and now they give the same medicine to their own children. You can afford to trust a Sarsaparilla that has been tested for half a century. \$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

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Write the Doctor.

If you have any complaint whatever and desire the best medical advice you can possibly receive, write the doctor freely. You will receive a prompt reply, without cost. Address, Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

SOUTH ANDOVER.

Holton Abbott has got his birch all hauled.

Arthur Stevens intends to build a henhouse this spring.

Miss Eva Adams has returned from a visit in Norway and Paris.

Hervey Hall is working for Farrington Bros., in their birch mill. Mr. Gordon has recovered from his rheumatism, so as to be out of doors.

The snow settles a little every day, and the first robin has been seen.

Mr. Bragg has had a bad cough for the past week, but is better at the present writing.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson, visited at Frank Gordon's last week, Wednesday.

MASON.

Dr. Fernald was in town last Tuesday on business.

Littlefield, the peddler, was in town, last Friday.

Archie Hutchinson was down from Berlin, N. H., last Saturday.

Fred Wheeler of Bethel, was in town one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunham were in town last Friday.

Vibert Mills is cutting cordwood and Douglass Cushing is helping him.

Robins, bluebirds, and mosquitoes put in their appearance, yesterday, the first of the season.

T. F. Hastings made a final survey of the spruce pulpwood that he has bought on Pleasant river, last Saturday.

Mr. Leighton surveyed his pulpwood, Saturday. He will break camp soon, as the ice on the pond is breaking up, so that he cannot haul any more.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

Easter services will be held in the church, April 15, with appropriate Easter music by the M. E. choir.

Mrs. Frank E. Davis and little Ellis are spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bryant of Greenwood.

Many are engaged in tapping trees. The large sugar orchards of J. H. Davis and W. S. Davis present a very interesting appearance with their well arranged and up-to-date sugar houses. The modern equipments might well be the envy of many a housekeeper.

The Best in the World.

We believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best in the world. A few weeks ago we suffered with a severe cold and a troublesome cough, and having read their advertisements in our own and other papers, we purchased a bottle to see if it would effect us. It cured us before the bottle was more than half used. It is the best medicine out for colds and coughs.—The Herald, Andersonville, Ind.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; A. S. Bean, W. Bethel; W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; A. R. Small & Son, Bryant Pond.

FOUNTAIN PEN.

We must have the people pretty well supplied with fountain pens by the way we have put them out for the past two years, but we have a few more and here they go. Bethel News one year and one of the best fountain pens on the market for \$1.98. This applies to new advance subscriptions and renewals. We have a limited number of these, so remember that "The first come will be first served."

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White Mohair—38 inches wide, 75c and 89c for Shirt Waists.

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Full Line of Mixtures—44 inches, suitable for Street Costumes, 68c and 75c.

Changeable Lansdownes—For Shirt Waists and Dress es, 40 inches, \$1.25.

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Venetians—In prune, pigeon gray, cadet blue, navy blue and brown, 50 inches wide, \$1.50.

Satin Faced Whipcord, Zibeline Camel's Hair, Wide Wale Homespuns, Plaid Back Suitings, India Twills, French Mixtures.

Black Dress Goods.

Black Cheviot—Fine French fabric, 48 inches, good black, light weight, \$1.50.

Black French Cheviot—For Suits, 56 inches, \$1.75. (Great value.)

Black Cheviot Serge—Fine and durable, 52 inches, \$1.50. Camel's Hair Cheviot—With the new "pebbly" effect, 52 inches, \$2.00. (Stylish.)

Genuine French Camel's Hair—Good black, very soft finish, 48 inches, \$2.00.

Black Camel's Hair Cheviot—50 inches, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Plain Black Cheviot—In variety from 50c to \$1.50.

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Healthy children are good because they feel good. A "bad" child is never a well child. A pale, peevish, fretful, feverish child needs TRUE'S ELIXIR to restore health. It will tone the upset stomach and bowels, make rich, red blood, bring color to the cheeks, sparkle to the eyes and vigor to the body. It is the "True Tonic"

True's Elixir

is wholly vegetable and therefore safe. It is tested by 48 years household use and therefore reliable. Ask your druggist for a bottle, 35 cents. Write for "Children and their Diseases." Sent free.

DR. J. F. TRUE & CO., Auburn, Me.

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My stock of Bicycles and Sundries will be in soon—about April 10th—and I cordially invite you to call and see the 1900 grades.

As in the past, the

IVER. JOHNSON

will be my leading wheel, besides which I shall have several other makes. Prices this year are from \$25 to \$50.

Don't forget my Repair Department if your old wheel needs attention.

PRICES ARE RIGHT

EDWARD KING,

JEWELER & OPTICIAN.

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Hundreds of children and adults have worms. They are treated for other diseases. The symptoms are—indigestion, with a variable appetite; foul tongue; offensive breath; hard and full belly with occasional gripings and pains about the navel; heat and itching eruptions in the rectum and about the anus; eyes heavy and full; itching of the nose; short, dry cough; grinding of the teeth; starting during sleep; fever; and often in children, convulsions.

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is the best worm remedy made. It has been in use since 1851. It is purely vegetable, harmless and effective. Where no worms are present it acts as a Tonic and corrects the condition of the stomach and bowels. A positive cure for Constipation, Biliousness, and a valuable remedy in all the common complaints of children. J. F. TRUE & CO., Auburn, Me. Special treatment for the treatment of the worm.

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Attorney-at-Law,
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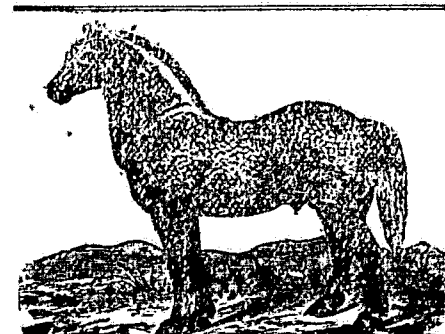
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Call and see us. Correspondence
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P. S. I will pay a fair price for some
good big work horses.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the
Estate hereinafter named:
At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for
the County of Oxford, on the third Tues-
day of March in the year of our Lord one
thousand nine hundred. The following mat-
ter having been presented for the action
thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby
ORDERED:

That notices thereof be given to all persons
interested, by causing a copy of this order to
be published three weeks successively in the
Bethel News a newspaper published at Bethel,
in said County, that they may appear at a
Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the
third Tuesday of April A. D. 1900, at 10 o'clock
in the forenoon, and be heard thereon
on if they see cause.

KORIAN MCGILL, late of Bethel, decas-
ed, will and petition for probate thereof pre-
sented by Dennis W. Cole, the executor there-
in named.

ALPHIUS S. BEAN, late of Bethel decas-
ed, petition for fixing amount of collateral in-
heritance tax presented by Cora J. Mason,
devises.

STEPHEN SAUNDERS, late of Manchester,
N. H., deceased, second account presented for
allowance by John C. Saunders, executor.

ADISON E. FERRICK, Judge of said Court.
A true copy—attest:
5744 ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

Worms?
If a child is alive don't neglect to test
for worms. Give several doses of
TRUE'S PIN WORM ELIXIR
If worms are present they will be expelled. A harmless
Vegetable tonic, makes a pure blood. At your drug-
store. Dose: Dose J. F. TRUE & CO. Auburn, Me.

PISO'S CURE FOR
CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS
Best Cough Syrup, Throat Good, Use
in time. Sold by druggists.
CONSUMPTION.

MAINTAINING ROADS.

CONSTANT CARE NEEDED TO KEEP
THEM IN REPAIR.

Necessary Appliances and Tools For
the Use of the Roadmen—Rollers
and Sprinkling Carts—Points to
Consider—Value of Wide Tires.

State Engineer Bond of New York
is paying great attention to the matter
of construction of good roads and has
issued a bulletin calling attention to
the necessity of great care in keeping
the roads after they have been con-
structed. He says:

"Roads in the country are contin-
ually subjected to the action of the ele-
ments, the wear of the wheels and
horses' feet and the continual pound-
ing they receive from passing loads.
Therefore, after a road has been ac-
cepted by the state engineer as com-
pleted and turned over to the officers
of the county, it is then that the duties
of the officers really commence, and
it depends on their efforts as to what
the life of the road will be whether
they will spend the money wisely on
maintenance or allow the road to de-
teriorate and make expensive repairs
necessary.

"As no provision has been made in
the Higbie-Armstrong bill for such
maintenance, aside from the provisions
in section 13, 'All persons owning prop-
erty abutting on such road so improved
or residing thereon shall thereafter
pay all highway taxes assessment
against them in money, in the manner
now provided by law,' it may be well
to consider the various methods in
vogue by which roads can be kept from
deteriorating.

"Of those three, only the third propo-
sition is the proper one. That is the
system used by France and Germany,
the objection to No. 1 being that it has
been tried and found wanting; to No. 2,
the aid given by the rural population is
not applicable to the maintenance of
an improved road, as such a road needs
the supervision of a man perfectly fa-
miliar with that class of work, and
such a one can only gain that familiar-
ity by being constantly and permanent-
ly employed. Men who have been given
charge of a piece of road soon be-
come interested in it and will strive en-
ergetically and intelligently to make
their portion of the road the best. It
would seem advisable, therefore, that
the third proposition should be adopted
by the supervisors of the county in
which the improved road is situated—that
is, a man should be appointed and
employed permanently who should
have the road, or a certain portion of
it, in his charge and who, under the
supervision of the officers of the county,
should be responsible for its mainte-
nance.

"The total points in the care of a
road are as follows: First, keeping the
surface of the road free from all depos-
its, dust or mud, horse manure or other
rubbish; second, filling of ruts and de-
pressions; third, cleaning ditches and
seeing that all culverts and water
courses are free from obstructions;
fourth, sprinkling the roads in dry
weather.

"To carry out properly these abso-
lutely necessary operations the county
officers must supply their roadmen
with such appliances and tools as are
required. After a road has been hand-
ed over to the care of the supervisors
they should immediately order a suffi-
cient quantity of the material to be
used in filling ruts and depressions.
They will therefore need trap rock and
limestone screenings. It will cost less
per mile of road kept one year on this
system than it will under the old and
bad system of semiannual or annual
repairs. Without continual attention
there can be no such thing as a perma-
nently good road. The material should
be placed in regular piles or storage
places along the side of the road, 200
to 250 feet apart, but in no case should
it lie on the road or encroach upon it.

"It would appear that a mile of road
of good material, with heavy travel,
would need about 32 yards of material
a year, and piles of stone placed 200
feet apart, say 6 feet long, 3 feet wide
and 1½ feet high, would be ample to
supply all needs. Such a pile would
contain one cubic yard and could be
easily measured at all times. By plac-
ing them 200 feet apart 26 of such
piles to the mile would suffice.

"The next thing to be purchased by
the supervisors is a kit of tools to be
used by the man in whose care the
road is placed. He should be furnished
with a wheelbarrow, pick, shovel,
brush broom, hoe, rake, profile board,
level, line, bush hook, spade, four
pound hammer and a road rammer
about 7 inches in diameter and weigh-
ing about 14 pounds. Every road should
have a roller, and if the length of the
road does not justify the purchase of
a steam roller one drawn by horses
should be used. The horse roller should
weigh not less than four tons and the
steam roller not less than ten tons.
The weight per inch of width is more
important than the gross weight of the
machine, and rollers should be built so
as to exert a pressure of not less than
500 pounds to the lineal inch, measured
across face of rollers. A sprinkling
cart is also one of the necessary ad-
juncts of a well kept road, and the
tendency of the road to ravel in dry
weather may be quickly arrested by
the judicious use of water."

Mr. Bond also advocates instructing
the farmer so that he will see the ne-
cessity for the use of wide tires.

Tickling Straws.

"No, sir," he said to the captain,
"I am not seasick, but am really
disgusted with the motion of this
vessel."

"What kind of wood are you us-
ing to cook with to-day?" "Hard
spruce." "Hard spruce?" "Yes,
hard—to get." He started for the
woodshed.

At a restaurant in Tuscon dur-
ing a heavy washout, when no
train had arrived for several days
and there were no potatoes in the
market, the bill of fare was printed,
"Potatoes en route," and another
read, "Potatoes in box car."

"Now, George, you must divide
your cake honorably with your
brother Charles." "What is hon-
orable, mother?" "It means that
you should give him the largest
piece." "Then, mother, I would
rather Charlie should divide it."

"Oconomowok!" cried the brake-
man. "O'Connor may walk, may
he?" exclaimed an Irishman at the
other end of the car. "An' faith,
if yez name me, yez'll have a foin
time makin' O'Connor walk whin
he's paid fivve dollars for this bit
o' pasteboard."

Teacher—Can you tell us how
the American and French Repub-
lics differ from each other?

Little George—The French ain't
got no log cabins for their presi-
dents to be borned in.

"It is a curious world," my bar-
ber said yesterday; "nobody ain't
satisfied. The last man but one in
my chair made me brush and
grease his curly hair till it was
straight, and the next man to him
made me curl his straight hair.—
San Francisco Argonaut.

"After the clerk had pulled down
everything in the store without
satisfying his customer, a woman,
she asked him if there was any-
thing else he had not shown her.
"Yes, ma'am," he said, "the cellar;
but if you wish it I will have that
brought up and shown to you."—
Lowell Citizen.

A German butcher at Clifton
Springs, N. Y., has a manner quite
his own of commending to patrons
the excellent qualities of his mer-
chandise. To a lady who was se-
lecting a roast, he complacently re-
marked: "This quarter of beef is
highly recommended by many of
our best families."

Librarian—This book looks rather
dry, and the title is so unattrac-
tive that I'm afraid it won't be
read as it deserves.

Assistant—Mark it with two
stars in the catalogue. When peo-
ple see that it can't be taken out
without special permission, you'll
find they'll form in line to get it.

Horse Race

As well as the human race should
have good treatment. MORRISON'S
ENGLISH LINIMENT besides being
the one great liniment for hoof and
feet trouble, has no superior for
sore back, neck and shoulders,
calks, cuts, bruises, sprains, con-
tracted cords, swelling and inflam-
mation of all kinds. Horsemen
will tell you Morrison's English
Liniment is the best liniment ever
put on a horse. Price, pint \$1.00,
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the house for the fol-
lowing reasons:

FIRST—Because, if any member
of the family has a hard cold, it
will cure it.

SECOND—Because, if the chil-
dren are delicate and sickly, it will
make them strong and well.

THIRD—Because, if the father or
mother is losing flesh and becom-
ing thin and emaciated, it will build
them up and give them flesh and
strength.

FOURTH—Because it is the
standard remedy in all throat and
lung affections.

No household should be without it.
It can be taken in summer as well
as in winter.

50c. and \$1.00, all druggists.
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Air Churns.

Much is being done at the present
time to induce the small dairyman ei-
ther to buy or take the agency for some
form of air churn or other similar
device, for which great things are
claimed as to butter making capacity,
says Professor Hayward in The Na-
tional Stockman.

The writer and heads of dairy de-
partments in other institutions have
received frequent letters in regard to
these dairy wonders, and this occasion
is taken to state a few facts concern-
ing them.

The value of any churn is dependent
upon its simplicity and durability, up-
on the completeness with which it does
its work, upon the power required to
operate it and upon the ease of clean-
ing it after the butter has been re-
moved.

Although there have been, it is claim-
ed, more patents granted for churns
than for any other single agricultural
implement, with the possible exception
of farm gates, nevertheless it is a fact
that just as much and just as good but-
ter can be made with the old fashioned
dash churn as with the most modern
churn known.

The principle of all churns is the
same, whether they are dash churns or
the so called air churns, and it should
be remembered that no churn can get
more butter from a given amount of
milk or cream than it contains of but-
ter fat plus a reasonable amount of
water and caseous matter.

Remarkable Cure of Rheumatism.

KENNA, Jackson Co., W. Va.

About three years ago my wife
had an attack of rheumatism which
confined her to her bed for over a
month and rendered her unable to
walk a step without assistance, her
limbs being swollen to double
their normal size. Mr. S. Maddox
insisted on my using Chamber-
lain's Pain Balm. I purchased a
fifty-cent bottle and used it accord-
ing to the directions and the next
morning she walked to breakfast
without assistance in any manner,
and she has not had a similar at-
tack since.—A. B. PARSON.

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ett, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett-
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STATE OF MAINE

COUNTY OF OXFORD, S. S.
March 16, A. D. 1900.

Taken this 16th day of March
A. D. 1900 on execution dated Feb-
ruary 28th, 1900, issued on a judg-
ment rendered by the Supreme
Judicial Court for the County of
Oxford, at the term thereof begun
and held on the second Tuesday of
February 1900, to wit, on the 19th
day of February, 1900, in favor of
Julia A. Stearns of Riley Planta-
tion in said county, against Berta
A. Austin of Rumford in said coun-
ty, for one hundred and sixty-six
dollars and twenty-five cents, debt
or damage, and eighteen dollars
and five cents, costs of suit, and
that she be sold at public auction at
the office of Herrick & Park Attor-
neys, in Bethel, in said county, to
the highest bidder, on Saturday
the 12th day of May A. D. 1900 at
11 o'clock in the forenoon, the
following described real estate and
all the right, title and interest,
which the said Berta A. Austin has
and had in and to the same on the
28th day of September A. D. 1898,
at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the
time when the same was attached
on the writ in the same suit, to
wit: a certain tract or parcel of
land, and being a part of lot No. 78
in the third division of lots in said
Rumford known as the Chamber-
lain Hill, on the south-east side of
the Androscoggin River, being all
the land of Berta A. Austin south-
east of the following line, com-
mencing at the north-east corner
of the late Peter Thompson home-
stead farm, thence following the
lot line north-easterly until it
reaches the homestead farm of
Peter A. and Amos Austin except a
piece of land that was reserved in
a deed dated Dec. 8, 1865, said par-
cel reserved being described as
follows: beginning at a pile of
stones on the height of the ledge
near the centre of lot No. 19 now or
formerly owned by Peter A.
Thompson, thence south about
twenty-three degrees east, about
forty rods to a large stone, thence
south about 11 degrees east, about
twenty-seven rods to steep, high
ledge, thence southeasterly on said
steep, high ledge as far as the same
will answer for a sheep pasture
fence, from thence the nearest
course to one hundred acre lot No.
21 in said second division of lots,
said reserved portion containing
about nine acres more or less. The
premises which I shall sell being
the same that were deeded by
Samuel V. Abbott to said Berta A.
Austin by deed dated Nov. 23, 1887,
recorded in Oxford Registry, book
211, page 348.

CYRUS M. WORMELL,
DEPUTY SHERIFF.

FOUNTAIN PEN.

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well supplied with fountain pens
by the way we have put them out
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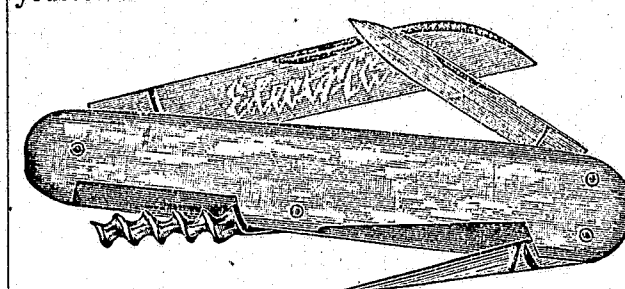
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that is good, the cut-
lery manufactured by
the Electric Cutlery
Co., of Newark, N.J.,
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We have the original, (each article is stamped "Electric") and there is no
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eral country hardware store in Maine—this is a fact—come and see for
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Our stock of jack-
knives is large and
varied. We are sure
that in our stock any
boy (or man, as for
that matter) can find a knife that he will be proud of—one that will cut,
and hold its edge—and they are stamped "Electric." The prices range
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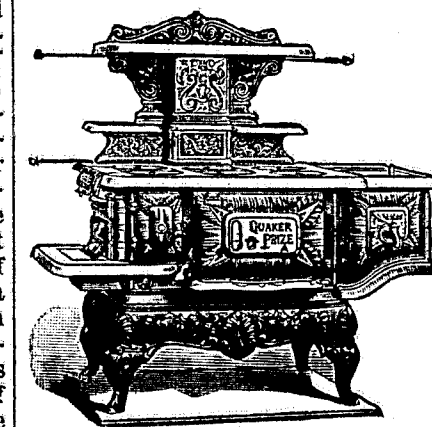
Wiley's Bronchial Lozenges.

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inch stick of wood. Full
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New Wants, To Let, For Sale, Lost, Found and similar advertisements will be found on page 7.
Business Cards on page 6.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 1900

BRYANT POND.

Mrs. Amos Bryant has been quite sick.

Dr. Bucknam was in town quite recently.

Quimby Perham went to Rumford Falls Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Chandler and children visited in Norway, Mar. 27.

S. B. Frost has returned to his daughter's after a two weeks' visit in Newry.

Miss Lizzie Stevens, who is teaching in Everett, Mass., is spending her vacation at home.

Mrs. Grace Stevens Briggs and Master Luey were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stevens, last week.

MEN OF MARK.

In 1883 three men, now well known, were friends together at the University of Strassburg—Koentgen, Paderewski and Tesla.

Henry Watterson says he began his career as a newspaper publisher just after the rebellion on \$50 obtained by paying his watch.

The newly elected senator from California, Mr. Bard, is an enthusiastic gardener and has produced two new varieties of roses.

Secretary Long has decided to appoint Commander Scaton Schroeder to be the first naval governor of the Samoan island Tutuila.

Henry A. Marting of Ironton, O., has given \$10,000 to German Wallace college of Baldwin university at Berea, O., in memory of his parents.

The Rev. J. J. Healy of St. Anne's Roman Catholic church, Gloucester, has erected a building for a free public library, started it with a considerable number of books and presented it to the city.

Charles Henry Gibbs is believed to draw a smaller salary than any other man in the government employ. He is keeper of an abandoned lighthouse on Nantucket island and gets \$1 a year for his services.

Hector Macdonald, a major general in the British army in South Africa, has a brother named Patrick, who is assistant superintendent of the central division of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad.

Sir Reed North, retired from the judicial bench of England on a pension of \$3,500 a year, states that he will devote his remaining days to the pursuit of beetles, moths and butterflies, as entomology has always been his hobby.

M. Angnos, the principal of the Perkins Institution for the Blind in Boston, will be one of the three United States representatives at the international congress in the interests of the blind to be held in Paris during August.

D. B. Skinner, one of the captors of Jefferson Davis, died at Detroit several days ago. For his share in taking the Confederate leader he received \$320 from the government. He died in poverty and was buried at public expense.

Professor Charles Sprague Smith of the People's Institute, New York, is organizing a social club for deaf mutes. Lectures are to be delivered before the club by noted speakers, the speeches to be translated into the sign language.

President Kruger has been married twice. His first wife died shortly after their marriage. He then married her niece. They were of French descent. Among their ancestors was no less illustrious a personage than Cardinal Richelieu.

Governor Smith of Vermont is one of the few men in the country who own a private locomotive which is fitted up at the same time as an observation car. On the same wheels are carried both the motive power and most luxurious accommodations for eight passengers.

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NORWAY.

Miss Eva Adams of Andover, returned to her home, Monday, after a short visit to her uncle, C. H. Adams.

Thomas F. Harney returned from Massachusetts, Monday, where he went on business in the interest of the Kadeliffe Shoe Co.

Several churches are organizing their forces to celebrate Easter. Appropriate services will be held Easter Sunday forenoon, with the usual sacred concerts in the evening.

Mrs. Abbie Tubbs' house near Paris street, is being painted and papered and otherwise improved. There are three good rents in this building, at a moderate price.

Over \$112 was raised at the Congregational church Sunday morning by voluntary subscription. This sum will be used to extinguish their debt, and thus place the society upon a more solid financial basis.

Evangelist Gale drew a large assembly in the Congregational church last Friday evening. Miss Hall, the singer, was with him and again delighted all with her marvelous voice. Both workers were guests at Rev. B. S. Rideout's.

A fire alarm rung in from box 52, on Beal street disturbed the light sleepers early Sunday morning. The fire was in the small house of Mr. Willey, but one stream of water completely soaked the blaze and contents of the building as well.

E. C. Tarr, superintendent of the Radcliffe Shoe Co., has the lumber on the spot where his new cottage will be built this spring. Mr. Tarr has selected a delightful place on the lake shore, and will erect a summer home upon plans entirely original with him. Walter Tarr also has a personal interest in the enterprise.

ANDOVER.

Whooping cough is very prevalent among old and young.

Charlie Abbott and family have moved into a rent at Fred Barrett's.

J. F. Elliot of Boston, is spending a few days with his sister, Miss Arabella Elliot.

Mrs. Bainbridge and daughter, Nellie have gone to Boston for a few weeks' visit.

The Congregational Ladies' Circle will meet this week with Miss Bertha Poor, on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Olcott Poor has returned from her trip to Boston and New York, where she has been visiting friends.

Nathan Akers has been very ill, but at the present writing is more comfortable and hopes of his recovery are entertained.

Rev. J. A. Waterworth will hold meetings at the Congregational church every evening next week. Special music will be given and an Easter concert will be held Sunday, April 15, given by the Sunday school.

Many of our townspeople have already begun operations at the sugar business. W. S. Newhall has taken the Newton orchard to carry on this year. All signs point to a favorable year for this business.

At the special town meeting called Mar. 24, to see about some suitable place for a schoolroom, and the building of a library, it was decided to leave the school matter in the hands of the selectmen and school committee, and the other matter was voted down.

WELCHVILLE.

Miss Grace Warren visited in Auburn last week.

Mr. M. B. Warren is having the lumber for his new house sawed.

Russell & McNeil are doing a thriving business at their saw mill.

Mr. Milton Howard and son, Horace, have returned from Dummer, N. H.

Mrs. Rollin Gilbert returned from Massachusetts last week, where she has been visiting her sister for some weeks.

Are Friends of the Farmer.

The wheelmen during their bicycle trips and the horseless carriages during their peregrinations in the country may occasionally scare the farmer's horse, but none the less the farmer should give them welcome. They are the advance agents and apostles of the gospel of good roads, and to the farmer good roads are of the first necessity.—Philadelphia Record.

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Very tart stuff, quite heavy, nice for street or journeying dresses. The colors are black with gray, old blue with black, navy blue with white, brown with old-blue, black with white, 40 inches wide. \$1.50

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Unlike any previous kind, softer, finer, but firm, mirror lustre, 48 inches, \$1.50

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Very conspicuous among the new Springlets. We have several grades 48 to 54 inches, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

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Tor Tailor-made Suits. Five new spring tints, make nice fits, 56 inch, \$1.50

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NORTH ALBANY.

Mr. Leighton is still logging across the three ponds. It seems "he will get his six weeks sledding in March" this year, as the old saying goes.

F. H. Bennett lost a cow last week. Mrs. Brown lost one a short time ago.

Frank Foster has finished work at Auburn and is at Ed Rolfe's.

Miss Blanche Kenerson and Susie Tyler visited their schoolmates, Ethel and Annie Pingree, last week.

Chester and Lyman Wheeler made a short visit at C. P. Pingree's, last week.

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1899.
Stocks and bonds \$440,250 00
Cash in office and bank 429,714 39
Uncollected premiums 146,859 33
Total \$1,016,823 72
Admitted Assets \$916,823 72
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses \$43,337 26
Unearned premiums 229,822 36
All other liabilities 7,400 20
Total \$280,560 82
Cash capital 600,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities 71,262 61
Total Liabilities and surplus \$916,823 72
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NEW JERSEY PLATE GLASS INSURANCE CO.,

Newark, N. J.
ASSETS DEC. 31, 1899.
Real Estate \$10,850 00
Mortgage loans 185,300 00
Cash in office and bank 18,329 08
Bills receivable 368 74
Agents' balances 34 46
Interest and rents 1,545 73
Uncollected premiums 9,879 45
Total \$216,297 96
Cash capital 100,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities 32,246 42
Total Liabilities \$148,053 54
FRED A. PORTER, Agent, Eumford Falls, Me.

The National Assurance Co., of Dublin, Ireland.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1899.
Stocks and bonds \$340,445 00
Cash in office and bank 55,531 23
Agents' balances 72,700 39
Interest and rents 3,440 82
Total \$472,117 44
Admitted Assets \$472,117 44
LIABILITIES, Dec. 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses \$4,012 78
Unearned premiums 112,154 97
All other liabilities 6,745 01
Total \$160,812 76
Cash capital 100,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities 167,141 13
Total Liabilities and surplus \$327,953 89
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NEW YORK PLATE GLASS INSURANCE CO.

Assets Dec. 31, 1899.
Mortgage Loans \$2,500 00
Stocks and bonds 344,600 00
Cash in office and bank 10,084 21
Uncollected premiums 27,734 39
All other assets 5,154 84
Total \$389,973 44
Admitted Assets \$389,973 44
LIABILITIES, Dec. 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses \$4,012 78
Unearned premiums 112,154 97
All other liabilities 6,745 01
Total \$160,812 76
Cash capital 100,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities 167,141 13
Total Liabilities and surplus \$327,953 89
FREDLAND HOWE, Agent, Norway, Me.

NETHERLANDS FIRE INS. CO., EST. 1845.

The Hague, Holland.
Principal Office in U. S. 29-31 Liberty Street, New York City.
Assets, December 31, 1899.
Stocks and bonds \$308,000 00
Cash in office and bank 33,108 15
Interest and rents 3,166 09
Uncollected premiums 97,911 73
Total \$442,185 97
Gross Assets \$611,176 54
Admitted Assets \$611,176 54
LIABILITIES, December 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses \$61,434 72
Unearned premiums 245,145 25
All other liabilities 41,872 48
Total \$348,452 45
Cash capital 100,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities 309,924 09
Total Liabilities and surplus \$658,376 54
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Assets Dec. 31, 1899.
Stocks and bonds \$515,975 00
Cash in office and bank 53,322 64
Bills receivable 16,645 61
Agents' balances 603 23
Uncollected premiums 66,544 84
All other assets 4,314 58
Total \$653,407 92
Gross Assets \$653,407 92
Admitted Assets \$653,407 92
LIABILITIES, Dec. 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses \$58,155 93
Unearned premiums 248,108 28
All other liabilities 18,998 27
Total \$325,262 48
Surplus over all liabilities \$328,145 44
Total Liabilities and surplus \$653,407 92
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Aachen, Germany.
Principal office in U. S. 29-31 Liberty Street, New York City.
Assets December 31, 1899.
Stocks and bonds \$789,357 50
Cash in office and bank 40,139 07
Bills receivable 1,150 92
Agents' balances 1,642 92
Interest and rents 920 00
Uncollected premiums \$3,497 86
Total \$896,708 27
Gross Assets \$896,708 27
Admitted Assets \$896,708 27
LIABILITIES, December 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses \$58,055 93
Unearned premiums 312,321 57
All other liabilities 6,081 44
Total \$376,458 94
Surplus over all liabilities \$520,249 33
Total Liabilities and surplus \$896,708 27
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